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Ms. Catherine V. Chachas
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Re: Notice of Intention to
Commence Coal Exploration
Trail Canyon
Emery County, Utah
CEP/015/002

Dear Mr. Chachas:

Thank you for your April 28, 1981 letter regarding Northwest Carbon Corporation's proposed coal exploration operations in Emery County, Utah. The plan meets the requirements of Parts 776 and 815 of the Regulations promulgated under the 1979 Act, "Regulation of Coal Mining and Reclamation Operations", Title 40-10-1 et seq., Utah Code Annotated, 1953. The Division hereby issues approval for the exploration operations as described in the exploration plans.

The Division requires no additional information at the present time. Upon completion of the exploration operations the Division will require notification of completion and a description of the plugging and reclamation activities which have taken place for each site.

Thank you for your cooperation. If any questions should arise please call me.

Sincerely,

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